



FISCAL YEAR 2010 APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Recipient: Altoona-Blair County Development Corporation
Location: 3900 Industrial Park Drive, Altoona, PA 16602
Amount Requested: \$200,000

Altoona-Blair County Development Corporation (ABCD) - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for the ABCD for the Blair County Sustainable Communities project for planning, design, acquisition, demolition and site preparation within the county's blighted urban core areas, including downtown Altoona, PA. ABCD and its partners will facilitate redevelopment efforts of underutilized sites and buildings through sustainable smart growth principals with the goal of providing suitable locations for new commercial, residential, industrial and mixed-use development in the county's urban centers.

Recipient: Beaver County Corporation for Economic Development
Location: 250 Insurance Street, Suite 300, Beaver, PA 15009
Amount Requested: \$200,000

Beaver County Corporation for Economic Development - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for the Beaver County Corporation for Economic Development for planning, design, site preparation and redevelopment of a former 1,500 acre LTV steel plant into an industrial park in Aliquippa, PA. This site, which occupies 7.5 miles of riverfront along the Ohio River, involves infrastructure improvements and redevelopment of 150 acres in Phase Two. In Phase One of the project over 200 acres have been reclaimed and now house 12 firms, including over 400 jobs. Additionally, the proposed industrial reuse of this vacant property is consistent with current zoning, land use planning and historical use.

Recipient: Borough of Phoenixville
Location: 140 Church Street, Phoenixville, PA 19335
Amount Requested: \$200,000

Borough of Phoenixville - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for Borough of Phoenixville to planning, design, redevelopment and construction of a blighted, 120 acre property in the center of the borough that has been underutilized for twenty five years, and will make it a productive parcel adding jobs, infrastructure and new assessed value to the borough. The project is part of the Borough's overall redevelopment plan.

Recipient: City of Philadelphia
Location: Office of the Mayor, Philadelphia, PA 19107
Amount Requested: \$200,000

City of Philadelphia - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for the City of Philadelphia for the Mansions Homeownership Project. Funding would be used to acquire and convert vacant and blighted apartments in historically-certified buildings into affordable, single family homeownership units. The conversion of vacant

rental units to homeownership units will stabilize an important block of housing in the Strawberry Mansion section of Philadelphia.

Recipient: City of Reading

Location: 815 Washington Street, Reading, PA 19601

Amount Requested: \$200,000

City of Reading - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for the City of Reading for planning, design, and construction of a Reading-Berks Research and Technology Center, the centerpiece of a planned research zone along Route 183. This project will produce important research for use by federal agencies and will improve the economic health of the region by creating high paying and productive jobs.

Recipient: Community Action Committee of the Lehigh Valley

Location: 1133 S. Fifth Street, Bethlehem, PA 18015

Amount Requested: \$200,000

Community Action Committee of the Lehigh Valley - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for the Community Action Committee of the Lehigh Valley for its Sixth Street Shelter building renovation project. Funds will be used to help renovate the main building of a family homeless shelter consisting of five continuous buildings in a low-income neighborhood. This shelter is the largest family shelter in the region and has been providing services to homeless families with children since 1984.

Recipient: Economic Progress Alliance of Crawford County

Location: 764 Bessemer Street, Suite 101, Meadville, PA 16355

Amount Requested: \$200,000

Economic Progress Alliance of Crawford County - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for Economic Progress Alliance of Crawford County for a brownfield site redevelopment project in Vernon Township, PA. Funds will be used for planning, design, and construction of buildings and infrastructure for the future development of a business park.

Recipient: Ellwood City Main Street Project Revitalization, Inc.

Location: Bell & 5th Street, Ellwood City, PA 16117

Amount Requested: \$200,000

Ellwood City Main Street Project Revitalization, Inc. (ECR) - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for ECR for the planning, design, and redevelopment of downtown Ellwood City, PA. This is a valuable use of taxpayer funding because it will contribute to economic development and preservation of the downtown business district.

Recipient: Esperanza

Location: 4261 North 5th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19140

Amount Requested: \$200,000

Esperanza - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for Esperanza for its Hunting Park Neighborhood Stabilization, which includes the planning, design, rehabilitation and construction of low-income homes. The neighborhood has experienced a high incidence of foreclosure and a high percentage of sub-prime loans.

Recipient: Greene County Department of Economic Development

Location: 49 South Washington Street, Waynesburg, PA 15370

Amount Requested: \$200,000

Greene County Department of Economic Development - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for Greene County Department of Economic Development for an industrial park. This project will provide business opportunities and strengthen the prospect of economic partnerships with the local business community and the nearby airport.

Recipient: Lackawanna County

Location: 200 Adams Avenue, 6th Floor, Scranton, PA 18503

Amount Requested: \$200,000

Lackawanna County – I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for Lackawanna County for the planning, design and construction of a small business incubator to support jobs in northeastern Pennsylvania. This project calls for the development of an incubator/technology facility and would be operated by the Scranton Chamber of Commerce. The project would encourage the growth of high-tech firms, add jobs to the economy and act as a catalyst for the development of new products and services.

Recipient: Mount Washington Community Development Corporation

Location: 301 Shiloh Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15211

Amount Requested: \$200,000

Mount Washington Community Development Corporation - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for Mount Washington Community Development Corporation planning, designing, site preparation, demolition and construction associated with brownfield redevelopment in this section of Pittsburgh. Funding will also be used for remediation and abatement of asbestos and related hazardous materials and land stabilization. As a community redevelopment plan, this project will rehabilitate a tract of land comprising 10 vacant single-family homes generating economic opportunities and restoring the Mount Washington neighborhood.

Recipient: Our City Reading

Location: 4500 Perkiomen Avenue, Reading, PA 19606

Amount Requested: \$200,000

Our City Reading - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for Our City Reading, a nonprofit organization in Reading, PA, to rehabilitate abandoned houses and provide down payment assistance to home buyers. Specifically, the organization provides quality homeownership opportunities to low-income families in coordination with area businesses as part of an effort to revitalize the city. Through blight removal projects, such as this one, the city hopes to reduce criminal activity and encourage economic development.

Recipient: Urban League of Lancaster County

Location: 502 South Duke Street, Lancaster, PA 17602

Amount Requested: \$200,000

Urban League of Lancaster County - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for the Urban League of Lancaster County, for remediation, redevelopment and revitalization at the site of the Lancaster Stockyards. The Lancaster Stockyards, a blighted 21 acre property on the north side of the City of Lancaster, has numerous dilapidated structures and has become an unlicensed solid waste dump with both the groundwater and soil being contaminated. The city recognizes the Lancaster Stockyards property as a key part of its northern gateway redevelopment strategy, and will partner with the Urban League of Lancaster County to support a high-quality urban redevelopment project. This initiative will redevelop the property to transform it into an economic and social hub, and serve as a catalyst for further redevelopment efforts within Lancaster.

Recipient: York County Economic Development Corporation
Location: 144 Roosevelt Avenue, York, PA 17401
Amount Requested: \$200,000

York County Economic Development Corporation - I urge the Subcommittee to provide funding for York County Economic Development Corporation for the planning, design and construction of the Advanced Technology Center of York. The center will play a critical role in working with companies to assist them in remaining competitive and overcoming technology innovation challenges by offering specialized facilities, equipment and expertise.